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Applicant: Joseph E. Kaminkow  
Appl. No.: 09/972,616  
Filed: October 15, 2001  
Title: GAMING DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ACTIVATING MULTIPLE PAYLINES UPON THE WAGER OF A SINGLE CREDIT  
Art Unit: 3713  
Examiner: Unknown  
Docket No.: 112300-456

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, at line 4 with the following paragraph:

This application relates to the following co-pending commonly owned application: "GAMING DEVICE HAVING A WEIGHTED PROBABILITY FOR SELECTING A BONUS GAME," Serial No.: 09/680,346, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-018; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING A REPLICATING DISPLAY THAT PROVIDES WINNING PAYLINE INFORMATION," Serial No.: 09/629,606, Attorney Docket No.: 0112300-032; "Gaming Device Providing Audio Wagering Information," Serial No. 09/629,288, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-088; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING MULTIPLE CHOICE LARGE AWARD BONUS SCHEME," Serial No. 09/686,284 Attorney Docket No.: 0112300-143; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING AN INPUT-OUTPUT VALUE BONUS SCHEME," Serial No. 09/963,121, Attorney Docket No.: 0112300-481; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING